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For: "A Synthetic Polynucleotide..."

Our Ref: B-4075PCT 618484-4

Commissioner for Patents POB 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

## Sir:

- 1. This is a Petition for an extension by two months of the time to respond to the Office Action mailed on October 3, 2003.
- 2. Applicant is a small entity.
- 3. Attached is a check in the sum of \$210.00. Charge to Deposit Account 12-0415 any additional fee required or credit for any excess paid.
- 4. A Response to the Official Action is filed concurrently with this Petition.
- 5. A duplicate of this Petition is attached.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Post Office with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, POB 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  $_{\rm on}$ 

January 5, 2004
(Date of Deposit)

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